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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

John Stephen Smith

Application No.: 09/877,640

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
FABRICATING SELF-ASSEMBLING
MICROSTRUCTURES

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

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